

REMARKS

As noted above, claims 1-23 were canceled in the preliminary amendment filed on February 20, 2004 and new claims 24-26 were added. The Examiner's Office Action dated November 9, 2007 rejects claims 1-23 which are no longer pending in the current application. Therefore, applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw this Office Action and reexamine the pending claims of this application. A copy of the return date-stamped postcard is attached evidencing filing and receipt of preliminary amendment in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated February 20, 2004.

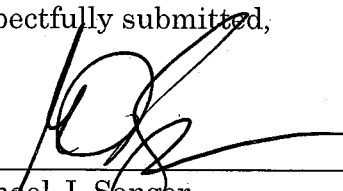
If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #101205.55136D1).

Respectfully submitted,

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